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PREPARES FOR WAR TO KEEP PEACE

Peculiar Construction Placed on Russia's Display of Hostility to Japan by Some of the Government Officials at St. Petersburg.

POLICY DESIGNED TO FRIGHTEN THE JAPANESE

Japan Is Moving Steadily Toward Its Purpose, and if Russia Does Not Make Concessions Her Troops Will Be at Once Thrown Into Corea.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—The consciousness of unofficial opinion among those associated with the government but not responsible therefor is that the Czar is so peacefully disposed that he will make such concessions to Japan as are necessary to prevent war, provided that no unforeseen events force the hands of the government concerned.

At the same time the Czar agrees with those who believe that preparation for war is the best safeguard of peace, and that apparent willingness to allow the matters to be submitted to the test of arms is more likely to lead to a satisfactory compromise than an exhibition of overmuch peacefulness.

The Russian government is noting with close attention an uncommon energy now being shown by the Chinese in making warlike preparations, under the guidance of a large number of Japanese instructors. This has grown so serious as to broaden the situation on new lines.

Such a complication brings into play the Franco-Russian and Anglo-Japanese alliances.

The controlling party in Russia regards Corea as necessary to the consolidation of Russian interests and is determined to prevent the peninsula falling into Japanese hands. Any concessions Russia now makes to Japan will be only with the object of deferring the difficulty until a more favorable time.

There is not likely to be much difficulty in finding money in case of war. A foreign loan on acceptable terms is probably impossible, but the Russian banks and merchants have ample funds on which the government could draw.

One reason why the British alarmist news fails to convince the Russians is the perfect understanding here of the benefits Great Britain derives from a continuance of the strained situation.

It was known here a year ago that Great Britain was planning to occupy Tibet and extend the railroad to a point in the Yangtze valley, which is reachable by gunboats from the sea. Great Britain's forward movement at this time excites both admiration and rage, the former for the clever political move, the latter because Russia is so preoccupied in the far east that she is unable to prevent Great Britain from creating her own Manchuria in the Yangtze provinces. The same situation affords Great Britain the same opportunity as actual war between Russia and any third power.

TOKIO, Dec. 28.—An important joint meeting of the cabinet and privy council took place today to consider ways and means in view of the probability of war with Russia, but no difficulty is anticipated in providing for the extraordinary expenditure, including the completion of the Seoul-Fusan railway.

It is believed that unless Russia makes her reply Japan will immediately safeguard Corea by sending troops and the remains of war to strategic points in the peninsula.

RUSSIA IN A HURRY FOR AMERICAN MEAT.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 28.—The Cudahy Packing Co. of South Omaha is just in receipt of a rush order for 1,000,000 pounds of extra meat for the Russian government. The shipment must be made from South Omaha so as to reach San Francisco before Jan. 26. On that date two Russian ships will be prepared to sail for that port with the beef or board. It is learned in Omaha that the same will also carry a large amount of other supplies which are now on their way or are in process of shipment from various parts of the United States. All these supplies, it is said, are for the war department of Russia.

DIPLOMATS AT PEKIN

THINK WAR IS INEVITABLE.

PEKIN, Dec. 28.—The opinion entertained by the best-informed diplomats in Pekin is that war between Russia and Japan is probable and almost inevitable, remains unchanged.

Nothing has been received here to corroborate the special dispatches from Tokio which said that the Japanese government was adopting an imperative tone in presenting a ultimatum to this last note. The reason is not known.

Official communications received here from high sources say that the Japanese war party is growing in strength and is bringing all its influence to bear upon the government. The Chinese board of war has ordered the viceroy to furnish full information to the foreign trained troops available for active service. The viceroy of three of the central provinces in response, has reported that 50,000 such troops are ready.

The Japanese press has issued an edict at the request of Prince Chiau, pointing several unknown and probably inexperienced officials as heads of army departments. As such, he has been appointed another to the several departments of instruction.

GIRL WHOSE FATHER IS DYING FROM WORRY OVER HER DISAPPEARANCE



DYING FATHER PINES FOR LOST DAUGHTER

Absence of Ethel Elliott Is Greatest Grief of Her Fast-Failing Parent

EFFORT TO FIND HER VAIN

Girl's Sudden Departure Was Unexplained by Any Apparent Reason for Discontent.

His life ebbing slowly but surely away as a result of asthma, heart trouble and worry over his missing daughter, George Elliott lies at his home, 2619 University street, hoping that the end may be delayed long enough for her to be found and returned to him.

"If all the children could be reunited I could die happy," sighs the father. Four of these children are here and the daughter, Lizzie, who lives in Utah, has been telegraphed for and is now on her way to St. Louis.

His daughter Ethel's absence is the one barrier to the dying father's happiness, and his time slips hourly away without a trace of the lost daughter.

Ethel, the beautiful 16-year-old daughter of the Elliott household, was seemingly cheerful and happy in her home. She had a high school student and had a good personality. She was tall and had dark hair and sparkling eyes. All seemed well at home, and Ethel had not intimated that she was not contented.

She had been ill quietly and completely disappeared. A diligent but fruitless search was made by parents and friends.

The missing girl was at one time found in New York City, where she was going under the name of Estelle Wilson. The girl had been working in a Brooklyn mill and was engaged in going on the stage. Her Brooklyn address had not been left at the New York house, and success slipped from the grasp of the searchers. All trace was lost last October.

DAIRY ANTICIPATES STRIKE

Union Company Discharges Men Who Want New Rules and Shorter Hours

The Union Dairy Co., one of the big firms that was affected by the demands of the milk wagon drivers for shorter hours, has given the work of dumping the chat or piling cans done by men employed on the job, and now has men at their regular work, however, and decided to refuse to do the outside work for fear of causing a disturbance.

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The milk wagon drivers, who are affiliated with the teamsters, are demanding a shorter day, 10 o'clock in the morning, and that in summer time they be after 5 o'clock.

Other dairy companies say they have not been affected.

Opinion of Alton Father Results in His Going to Jail on Wife's Complaint.

Commission Dealer Is Suspended for Thirty Days Because of Member's Claim.

The objections of George Beck to the late night kept by his daughter and her sweetheart have landed him in the Alton jail.

Monday morning he had a hearing on a warrant charging him with disturbing the peace of his wife and the daughter.

Beck says his daughter's beau has a way of staying until 12 o'clock or later. Beck didn't approve of this and remonstrated.

Mrs. Beck took the part of the young folks, however, and the court suspended the trial on paper.

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able is a remarkable example, as the great majority of the foreign trained troops are on paper.

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ONLY COLD CASH ACCEPTABLE TO SHIPIARDS MEN

Paris Agents of the Trust Would Not Take Promissory Notes From the Paris Underwriters and Threatened Complete "Reorganization"

DIDN'T UNDERSTAND "DES- PERATE NATURE OF SITUATION"

Lawyer Alexander Tells How He Was Making It Uncomfortable for Victims and "Scaring the Stuffing Out of Them."

Below is given the fourth installment of the letters written from Paris by Lawyer Charles B. Alexander to his firm, Alexander & Green of this city, telling of the various things he was doing to get the French underwriters of \$4,250,000 of the bonds of the United States Shipbuilding Co. to pay over the amount for these securities which are now practically worthless.

The letters and cablegrams given below are in addition to those published exclusively in the Post-Dispatch and New York World Tuesday and Saturday of last week and yesterday. This correspondence throws strong light upon the inside methods of promoters to unload upon the public the securities of a modern trust.

TRUST NEEDED MONEY TO BUY THE PLANTS IT CONTRACTED FOR.

W YORK, Dec. 23.—The correspondence presented today covered the period from Aug. 1 to Aug. 14, 1903, when the most desperate efforts were made to get the French to pay up.

The man responsible for the shipbuilding company and who paid millions in cash to the owners of the institution on Aug. 12, 1903, and, right to Aug. 11, reliance was placed upon the French underwriters to produce 50 per cent on the first and second calls on the \$4,250,000 subscriptions.

As previously told in the Post-Dispatch, the largest of the foreign underwriters were Baron Calvet-Rogniat, M. Schreyer, president of an insurance company; Alexander Odero, representing a group of Italian capitalists; and M. Miramont, representing a group of Belgian capitalists.

On Aug. 12, 1903, Alexander wrote to Alexander & Green:

"Mayer came in late in the afternoon, about 6 o'clock, and told me that all the titles, but could not get the cash in and yesterday, but, as promissory notes were not effective as method of collection in Paris, they were going to take the action I have mentioned."

"I told them that I could not consent to anything of the kind that the Mercantile Bank have come to something cash, and cash that day. He said that it would be done without me."

Made It Uncomfortable as Possible for Them.

"The Mercantile told me last evening that their experience would have been here in the universal as when French companies take underwriting. They have no appreciation of time or the importance of making prompt payments.

"As far as I am concerned, as uncomfortable as possible for everyone I am pushing the thing for all it is worth. The curious part of it is that not one single one of them Schreyer, and others, want to be relieved of his underwriting, but the other hand they don't want to pay cash on demand."

"I am very much afraid that Mr. Young has allowed it to travel out that in his opinion immediate cash is not necessary for the New York market."

"He has talked that kind of stuff about his office in my hearing. I knew he had affected the Oppenheims, and, while they were everything that is loyal, so far as I can see, that have to be done, I hope to get the desperate nature of the situation as they would have done if he had not talked to them."

A second letter written by Mr. Alexander on Aug. 14, 1903, reads as follows:

"This afternoon Silvey, Rogniat and Spilsbury called here. They came as a deputation and wanted to see me and make an offer as follows:

"Beifeld is to take one-half the responsibility of the whole issue and to receive one-half the profits; they to forward the interest of the other underwriters and guarantee the Rogniat against suits brought by the other underwriters, that is to pay the entire amount of the call in three payments within the next 20 days. This was agreed to, and the amount of the call in three payments within the next 20 days, that money is not paid right off the whole scheme will be reorganized, and the new scheme will be put into effect."

"The other hand they have scared the stinging out of our friend, Mr. Young, and Young saw young Haries this morning, who said he had a great many cables in regard to this, and very many inquiries, and this was the way the French people always acted when they were going to pay."

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French Banker.

Under date of Aug. 12, Mr. Alexander wrote to his firm:

"I spent an hour yesterday afternoon with Mr. Schreyer, who had spoken in a remissly antinomian manner of whole enterprise, and given me a note, which was even better,

"I also wanted to know, first why he had been allowed to leave without this enterprise. I told him I was not there when France was allowed to have him, and with his views that he wished that we had not let them in, but I said that they wanted to be in France. I told him I had never heard of any trial, and he said it was a common one in England and France."

"I think it not as well to observe that, if any emergency occurs I am ready to come to New York, Mauria and look after things, but I would not be in a good position for me to be a witness, and put a stop to this eternal desire for trial, and will scare those people into the belief that when we come to the trial, we will be compelled to entitle them to wear the military dress uniform on all state occasions."

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THE POST-DISPATCH DAILY STORY

The Gleam of His Hair *

They Were Happy and Would Have Continued So but for the brother—He Caused Discord—He Induced the Husband to Do Things to Hurt the Wife—He Brought Another Woman—The Wife Found It Out—Then the Brother Died and Then—Well and Then.

BY ZOE ANDERSON NORRIS.

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I HAVE always thought, and made free to say it, that my mistress and her husband might have lived very happily together if it hadn't been for his younger brother. They were as handsome a pair as ever walked in shoe leather, she tall and dark, and he blond, with curling, silken hair that shone in the dark.

He was beautiful for a man as she was for a woman, and that was part of the trouble. It is not good for a man to be beautiful, a candle flame among moths of women.

Still, as I say, they might have got on well enough if it hadn't been for his younger brother, who was jealous of what affection he had for his wife.

Between the three of them words flew fast and frequent; so that altogether it wasn't the pleasantest room in the world to act as maid to my mistress. Tears and wranglings above stairs bring disorder below, and the kitchen begins to war.

From cook to scullery maid, we laid the blame of the trouble on my master's brother. Many's the time after a quarrel in the dining room I have seen him take my master and talk to him bitterly of my mistress, blaming her, keeping up the strife day in and day out that, lacking fuel, would have died a natural death.

A young devil was that brother of my master, a fire-eater, and his hatred of my mistress, fed as it was by her jealousy of her face you see among hoodcarriers.

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For there lay the difficulty with both. It was jealousy that kept her trembling with tears; and to say truthfully, she had every right to be jealous. If she had seen the hand of the servants saw, she would have died outright.

She saw nothing; but women, God help them, have instincts in such matters that lead them straight as a dog on the trail of his master, and it was the same sometimes as the say.

One night, for instance, when she was away from home, spending the week with her mother, they gave a little party, the two of them, to some friends of theirs. They rang me out of bed to wait on the table. It was a midnight supper, put off late for fear she might come walking in, and finished somewhere about 3 in the morning. And such a party! Girls from the theater, a bistro, a few flowers, a vase, flowers, and a girl at the head of the table in my mistress' place, doing the honors. A rollicking party, so mad, the wonder of it was that my master's father, who was an honest man who made his money on a patent clothes wringer, didn't step down from his wide gold frame and walk on out.

The next day back came my mistress,



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We know we can't get your custom unless you get better tailoring, better fabrics, better fit and better attention from us than you'll get from "the other fellow."

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Broke Law in Four Courts

John Lazar made a serious mistake when he tried to sell a pair of suspenders to Sgt. Donegan at the Four Courts. The sergeant asked him if he had a peddler's license. Lazar said he hadn't, and he was arrested. The City Hall officials told him to give him a chance to get a license, but he went upstairs to see why she had caused calling him. It is thought at the City Hospital that she will recover.

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OROSE GUEST OF FIVE DAYS

attempted Suicide Wanders Speechless About House After Hacking Neck With a Knife.

Patrick Mulcair, a lodger at Frederick Ramm's rooming house, 215 South Third street, suddenly John Cannon and put two low lodgers to flight by appearing in a dimly-lighted public room at the house on a self-inflicted wound in his throat. Cannon and his roommate got up early, and in the public room when they returned from a coffee stand with their punch, they met a third man. The three were talking and eating when the door opened, and no one looked up until Mulcair's peculiar breathing attracted their attention.

It was just growing light, and the one lamp in the room gave but little light, and one comprehend what the ghoulsome spectacle meant before his companions, and spoke to him. When Mulcair began to speak, Cannon's companion fled, either he had run late in the morning. Mulcair was unable to speak, but by his words Cannon knew that he had attempted suicide. Cannon took him to an around Kramm, Mulcair was sent to the City Hospital, where it was found that he would not live.

In Mulcair's room was found the razor with which he cut himself. The man was however not made with him, and he must have remained there some time before asking assistance. Little was known about him at the house. He came there five days ago and had been there ever since, not peaking to any of the lodgers. Aside from the fact that he was a railroad man, nothing was learned from him as to his past life.

At the hospital \$100 was found in the clothing taken from his room.

YOUNG GIRL DIES OF POISON

Miss Mamie Gouch of Alton Took Drug After Quarrel With Young Man.

Miss Gouch, the pretty 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. George Gouch, of St. Louis and Alton, died yesterday from the effects of poison taken a week ago after a quarrel with a young man.

WIFE'S WORK PROVES COSTLY

Wm. Wiethoff Fined Because He Was Idle, While She Took In Washing.

William Wiethoff was fined \$30 in the Dayton Street Police court Monday for not working while his wife took in washing. When Wiethoff was taken into custody, he was found to be a drink of whisky which had him Wiethoff and his wife were both arrested in a police station on a house near the river. Wiethoff's wife said she did not know the character of the house, and were going to see. The question of his occupation came up, and it developed that he had not worked for three weeks.

FOR ATTACKING CELESTIAL

Wing Lee Testifies Two Men Demanded His Money and Beat Him.

The testimony of a Chinese laundryman and Charles Leman of 3000 Carr street proved costly to Peter Baird, an East St. Louis coal and feed merchant, 100 West Broadway, and Eddie Kiel of 428 St. Louis Avenue, in Judge Tracy's court Monday morning.

The trouble began Christmas morning in the Chinese laundry on 21st and Twenty-third street. Wing testified that he had entered the laundry and demanded his money. Meeting with refusal, one attacked him, and the other beat the laundry for money. The disturbance caused Leman, who was passing in a buggy, to stop, and Leman said that the two men pushed him into the laundry and assaulted him.

For the assault upon Leman, Judge Tracy fined each of the men \$10, and for the charge brought by the Chinaman he fined each of them \$5.

PRODIGAL'S NOISY RETURN.

Young Man Who Raised Disturbance on Home Coming Fined

Ibert Kiel, who was sent from home to be disciplined by his dying father two years ago, returned to the family home, 3321 Cottage avenue, at 10:45 a.m., and, according to his sister, Minnie, cut 13 threatening his until she called a doctor.

He was fined \$5 by Judge Polk in Dayton street police court Monday for his sister had told her story. Kiel is dead and returned home to get his inheritance by his father and mother both now dead. He admitted that he had threatened his sister.

Kiel's father, who died 13 years ago, left the family home and all other property to his daughter, ordering his son, Kiel, to return to the home before he died. Kiel is still pending in the probate court, where Albert claims part of the estate.

UNERAL OF ELMIRE PICOTTE.

aged Woman Was an Early Resident of St. Louis, Long Active in Church

Mrs. Elmire Picotte, a member of the Dumas School, and his wife celebrated their silver wedding anniversary December 20th in their home, 4540 Delmar avenue, by giving a dinner to 35 children of the St. Louis Colored Orphan Home of 4218 A. St. Louis. The bridge road, Mrs. Langston, who was welcomed by Mrs. Huffman, the matron responded. H. E. Hermann, building superintendent of the colored school, was present.

A movement was launched by Mr. Langston to raise a large fund for the orphans' home, a meeting in this building was called for next Saturday, following assisted Prof. and Mrs. Langston in entertaining the children: Misses Ella M. Murphy, Mrs. H. Brown, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. M. H. Wright, Mrs. H. H. Mordecai, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Estill, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright, Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Mrs. M. J. McLean, Mrs. J. C. Miller, and Messrs. J. V. Grant and R. A. Hudlin.

Protests His Innocence.

"I dodged him," said Mr. Langston, "I dodged him, and he tried to hit me with and punched him," said Mr. Baird in Judge Tracy's court Monday morning. This statement was made to a court reporter by Harry Kennard of 307 Minerva avenue. Kennard was hit by old age, she being 85. A woman of deep religious faith, she devoted her life to church work. The funeral was held at the Church of the Visitation at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning.

Justice Too Slow for Him.

en Smith says he has been decapitated. The hoodoo is a Greek dollar which the police at Four courts now hold. He is not wanted at all.

Ben lives at 311 Walnut street. He and a friend who live at the same place were shot in the head. They were in a saloon on Olive street the night before. A Greek dollar in change. When they die he will be buried in the fact that he died in the woon. The man and his friend were not available. The bartender there. He did not say anything for the police to find out what he did.

POST-DISPATCH DAILY RECORD OF FINANCIAL AND MARKET

BETTER MARKET THIS MORNING

The Early Demand Was Good and Prices Were Advanced on Active Trading.

LONDON PRICES ARE LOWER

The War Scare in the Far East Is the Disturbing Element in Foreign Prices.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The opening, after the three days holiday, was lively at the prices that were but little changed from the close. Thursday. The London market came lower all around, the threatening aspect of the situation between Russia and Japan having a marked effect on prices there. According to reports from London, the situation abroad is more or less to the same than at the time when the trouble began. The foreign market is more or less to the same than at the time when the trouble began. The foreign market is more or less to the same than at the time when the trouble began.

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DEATHS.

W. H. Hartman, Dec. 25, at 11:30 p. m. in his home, beloved husband of Agnes (nee Schubert).

Funeral on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 1 p. m. from his residence, 222 Ritter street.

BOYLE-Sunday, Dec. 27, after a lingering illness, Pauline Caroline Coyle, relict of the late James P. Coyle, mother of John, Joseph T., and Mrs. Coyle and Mrs. B. J. Donne (nee Coyle).

Funeral Tuesday morning at 9 a. m. to St. Patrick's Church, then to Calvary Cemetery. Friends of the deceased, their Calvary Cemetery, are invited to attend. Please omit flowers.

BOYLE-On Dec. 27, 1903, at 12 m., Ann M. Boyle, beloved mother of W. F. Boyle. Due notice of funeral will be given.

HEIDBUCK-Entered into rest, our darling daughter, Anna, beloved daughter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. and Mollie Heidbuch. Sunday, Dec. 27.

Funeral Tuesday at 2 p. m. from residence, 2322 Cherokee street.

ROUGHTON-On Sunday, Dec. 27, 1903, at 12:15 o'clock, p. m., Theodore Prohant, father of Hyattine Prohant, beloved son, son of Mrs. Mary Joseph, aged 81 years 8 months and 2 days.

The funeral will take place Tuesday, 29th, at 9:30 o'clock a. m. from residence, Bridgton, Mo., to St. Mary's Church. Friends are invited to attend. Carriages will leave Culver's Hotel, 4228 Easton avenue, at 7:30 a. m.

FRATZELLI-Sunday, Dec. 27, 1903, at 4:05 p. m. at his residence, 2006 Locust street, St. Louis. John F. Fratzelli, aged 70.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 9:30 a. m. to St. Xavier's Church, Grand and Locust streets, informant private.

RALPH-Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 27, 1903, at 11:30 a. m., David L. Siebuk, beloved husband of Anna Ralph (nee Proster), and father of August, John and Tony Siebuk, and a son, John and Mrs. Theresa Kopp, aged 74 years.

Funeral from family residence, 1011 Division street, Tuesday, 28 p. m., Dec. 29, to 10 a. m. at the intersection of Cherokee and Locust streets, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend.

HEIERSENKUM-On Sunday, Dec. 27, at 4 p. m. after a lingering illness, Catherine Siebuk, beloved wife of David L. Siebuk, aged 70 years 5 months and 15 days.

Funeral will take place from family residence, 6330 Virginia avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 2 p. m. Friends invited to attend. Farmington (Mo.) paper please copy.

SOLOMON-On Sunday, Dec. 27, at 8 p. m., Anna Solomon, beloved wife of John C. Stapleton.

Funeral Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 1:30 p. m. from residence, 1221 Soulard street, Rose Klauber, David Solomon and Lena Klauber, sister, friends invited to attend.

STAPLETON-Monday, Dec. 28, 1903, at 6:45 a. m. John C. Stapleton, beloved husband of Ellen Kinney Stapleton.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 2 p. m. from family residence, 1000 Locust avenue, Elmwood, to St. Peter's Church, Elmwood, to Mount Carmel Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited.

WENDE-Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 27, at 11:30 a. m., Mary A. Wende (nee Jung), beloved wife of William C. Wende, minister and dear mother of William C. Kallmeier, after a lingering illness, at the age of 48 years, 15 days.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 1 o'clock p. m. from St. Peter's Church, corner of Fourteenth and Carr streets, to the St. Peter's Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

Wedding Rings (Solid Gold).

Finest qualities, \$3.00 to \$30. Mermad & Card's, Broadway and Locust. Write for catalogue. Mailed free.

LOST AND FOUND

14 Words, 20c.

Lost

OA-Lost on Grand av., near Olive st., lady's blue and white pocket watch; reward if returned to 3232 Lucas av.

ODG-Lost, on Taylor and Page, between Delmar and Pendleton, ornamental comb. Liberty mail, lost Saturday night. Return to 4275 Gravols.

JW-Straight, dark colored Jersey cow. Return to 1712 Arlington av. and receive \$1 reward.

OG-Lost, male for terrier, boddal; return to 2404 Locust street, St. Louis. Reward for return of dog.

ODG-Lost, mouse-colored spaniel; answers to name of Frank. Liberal reward for return of dog.

ODG-Lost, Scotch collie, named Barnie; address of owner, 1606 Locust street, St. Louis. Call up Taylor, Kinloch Bldg., or Bell Main, 2881.

HANDEKIRCH-Lost, between St. John's Church, King's highway and Grand av., and Olive, lace handkerchief. Return Otto J. Schaefer, 1606 Locust street, St. Louis.

KEYS-Lost, a bunch of seven keys. Return to engineer Continental bldg. and receive \$1 reward.

OCKET-Lost, small round locket, G. R. engraved on side; good reward if returned to 2861 Gravols.

GRILACE-Lost, gold head necklace, in box, beaded and chain. Cheapest, return to C. A. Smith, A. M. Reward. Return to 1918 Main st. above.

WATCH-Lost, open face silver watch with inscription and photo inside, going to St. Louis to church. Return to 8316 Vista st. and get reward.

WATCH-Lost, one ladies' gold watch; liberal reward. Price George Reichelt, 1617 Franklin av. Found

DAHL-Wanted, first-class bread baker. Ad. 4922 Delmar bld.

BARBER-WANTED-First-class barber, steady job; \$11 guaranteed. 4832 Delmar bld.

BARBER-WANTED-Colored barber with family; small town; good wages; must be good workman; good references. Write 801 Marshall, Clark County, III.

BARBER-WANTED-Commercial bldg. barber shop.

COOPERDEER'S RULER-WANTED-Down-hill riding, racing, driving, etc. \$100 weekly from \$15 per week, according to ability. Ad. at races, the G. E. Sanger Printing Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

UY WANTED-In meat market, to deliver 2905 Monroe.

UY WANTED-Small office boy, \$2 per week. No blind bldg.

WANTED-Heavy boy for kitchen work. 414 st.

WANTED-Buy to work in grocery store; have experience. 5040 Page av.

WANTED-To run frankfurter stand. 6 N. st.

WANTED-15 to 17. Wm. A. Sisson, 314 N. Locust.

WANTED-Buy about 16 years of age to n. Cast, 21st and Morgan st. \$100. 1606 N. Loc. (16)

WANTED-Boy of 14 or 15 years in drug c. \$5 week. 8 Grand.

WANTED-White boy of 17 to learn drug dr. 8274 Franklin st.

WANTED-Who want a manish shoe \$100. Harris' \$2.50 shoe. 907 N. Loc. (16)

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FOR RENT

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above furnished for light modern house; desirable location. Ad. E. 88, Post-Dispatch.

10, 3 rooms, 2d floor, \$14. per. & Co., 713 Chestnut. (8)

-Two front rooms, furnished for private family. (8)

-Furnished rooms. (1)

As good tenement, bath; 2d floor; to good tenants. (2)

1401 N.-Large room, 2d floor; house; heating, \$1.50 to \$2.25. (2)

PL. 1457-2 nicely furnished rooms; (2)

1224-Newly furnished rooms; gas, heat, etc. (2)

1711-878, 900 N.-Nice clean furnished room, \$2 week. (1)

ST. 2004-2d-story room, furnished for housekeeping. (3)

4411-If don't have your trunks we money. Trunks to and from stores. Office two rooms, 10th St. Main 4247. (17)

1112-1123 S.-Furnished room, with 2d floor, \$2 week. (1)

1112-2008 S.-Single and connected rooms; for light housekeeping; running team heat. (4)

ST. 2310-Hall room and other rooms. (1)

1815-Front room, on third floor, for single or two girls. (1)

1711-Newly furnished rooms; gentle- (1)

1711-1000 N.-Nice clean furnished room, \$2 week. (1)

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SCENE
AT ST. XAVIER'S

Thousands of Worshipers View the Still Drama at Cathedral on Grand Avenue.

WORK CLEVERLY EXECUTED

Representation of the Bethlehem Scene Will Remain for Two Weeks.

Thousands of worshippers at St. Xavier's Church, Grand Avenue and Lindell boulevard, crowded the basement there Sunday to see the still drama, "Bethlehem," the first Christmas crib this church has had in the twenty years of its history.

Other Catholic churches have this annual feature, and at the suggestion of Father H. Broomegeest the present work was prepared and placed in the north nave of the St. Xavier's Church, basement, by the Jesuit Brothers John Louis and Charles Lynch.

This model of the manger scene at Bethlehem is like those shown in many other Catholic churches at Christmas tide, but is more realistic and cleverly executed than the average. The manger scene is here represented to be in the mouth of a cave with the hills breaking into the shadowy outlines of the city of Bethlehem. Above shives the star of Bethlehem from a clear sky.

The cavern scene represents the rude stable of the day, with hay littered about the floor. On a pile of hay in the center of the open cave lies the Christ child, while keeping watch are the Mother Mary and St. Joseph. Descending a rugged path from the direction of the city and round about a hillside, the shepherds are coming to the manger, one carrying a lamb on his shoulders and the other playing his shepherd's flute.

The scene is made more realistic by the presence of an ox and an ass, and several sheep which lie at rest half buried in the hay about the stable floor.

Many Viewed the
Scene After Mass

Just above and at the brink of the cave niche in the precipice hovers the angel of death bearing the legend, "Gloria in Exulto," Glory to God on the Highest.

Figures in the scene are of a bisque, inches in height, and were imported from Europe. Their representing has been entirely by Bishop Lynch, conveying the sweet andさま of the scheme of the birth in all its truth.

A generation was accorded the still scene by the hundred of visitors to the cathedral since its installation there Christmas eve. The scene was arranged on the small Sunday, all day after Sunday mass, and on New Year's an equally large number of visitors expected.

The representation of the manger scene at Bethlehem will remain open to view for about two weeks, and a day or so preceding the feast of the date of the birth of the magi, Jan. 6, other figures will be added to appropriately symbolize the belated arrival of the three wise men of the East.

WINDOW ADMITS BURGLARS.

Money and Stamps Taken From Com-

mission Firm's Office.

Burglars secured \$20.80 in money and postage stamps from the office of Hitz & Wurth commission merchants at 705 North Third street.

Entrance to the store was gained through a window, while the intruders took their time in looking about the office and locating the money and stamps.

RICHEST WOMAN IN AMERICA TAKES
A \$16 A MONTH FLAT IN HOBOKEN

MRS. HETTY GREEN.

In Order to Escape Taxation as a Resident of New York She Changes Her Residence.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Hetty Green, the richest woman in America, whose wealth runs up into millions, is living in a \$16-a-month flat in Hoboken, N. J.

LEAK FOUND, AUTO WAS LOST

Search for Defect in Gasoline Tank Results in Wreck and Fire

Alarm.

George A. Baker, Jr., of 5122 Washington avenue has solved the problem of finding leaks in the tank of an automobile. In Mr. Baker's case the method did not result in the destruction of the car, but the automobile was wrecked as completely as the gas meter when a leak is found in the cellar gas pipes. Mr. Baker was getting the auto ready for a Sunday afternoon ride, and the gasoline did not feed down to the sparkler. He took a candle to look for the leak in the tank and, lighting it, found a hole in the pipe. He found it. Miss Emma Nagel was a witness and turned in the fire alarm.

Colored Woman Cremated.

CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 28.—A fire at Mound City, Ill., last night, killed a young colored woman, was burned to death. She rushed into a burning building to save a child, and overcome by smoke, her head being entirely burned from her body.

The prefect of the Seine having placarded Paris with posters describing the terrible effects of alcohol and absinthe drinking, the cafe proprietors each affixed a damage suit against him.

CHILD GUARDS FATHER'S BODY

Night Falls Before Girls' Cries Summon Passersby to Scene of Sudden Death.

While driving home after attending church at Edwardsville with his little daughter, Andrew Holt, a resident of Carpenter, fell dead from his buggy to the road struck with a heart disease. The child stepped on a horse and ran to his father's side. He did not answer her cries, and when she shook him she saw that he was dead. Not until the child set out over the lonely country road, but the child kept watch over her father's side until her cries called a passerby. The boy was removed to the home in Carpenter.

Mr. Holt had been in apparently good health throughout the lonely ride, but he died the little girl could not realize that he was little.

Marrying a Baltimore girl, he went to Colorado, where by his glib tongue he soon ingratiated himself into society and business circles, and was made commissioner to raise funds for the Paris Exposition. He met the son of United States Senator W. A. Clark of Montana and edited the son's paper at Great Falls.

Then he came to New York and lived at the Waldorf. He eloped with a widow and made a swindling tour of the world, traveling under the name of J. G. Davis. He was entertained by the King of Siam and by Viceroy Curzon in India. On his return to the country he married two women in Texas. Marrying the real J. C. Drayton had put the police in every city on earth on his track, and had his picture taken in every newspaper of the two Texas women divorced him.

Such was his story of his life. He lied about the Baltimore girl, for her real name was Clara Barksdale, and she was not a rich society girl.

His last wife was Miss Bonnie Hinkle, stepdaughter of W. M. Scott, a rich citizen of Minneapolis. She has clung to him in his troubles.

When arrested in Washington last night, Silberbury, who had passed as J. C. Drayton, nephew of the former secretary of the treasury, broke down. His wife denounced his accusers and returned here with him.

WILL FIGHT SALOONS STILL

Father Coffey Defends His Course in Farewell Sermon to St. John's Parishioners.

In bidding farewell to his parishioners at St. John's Church Father J. T. Coffey promised them that he would not forsake them, but that he would come to their assistance in time to keep the saloon from their homes.

In his farewell talk Father Coffey, who will take up the work at St. John's church, beginning Jan. 1, 1904, spoke of the crusade he had conducted against saloons while pastor of the parish, who never faltered in his support.

"The bad saloon had encroached upon my territory," he said. "It had become the instinct of the people to follow me and my flock; therefore, I fought the bad saloon."

I denounced corrupt politicians because they had set God and religion aside, and it was, and is, my business, my sacred duty, to defend the rights of God and religion. This is my mission, my religion, while I have strength, tongue and voice I shall continue in this course.

Archbishop Glennon has notified all priests of the diocese who have been in the ministry more than three years that they are eligible to take the annual pension for the pastorate made vacant by the removal of Father Coffey. Application to receive the pension must be made to the archbishop by Jan. 16.

Father Coffey will be the guest of the Young Men's Society of St. John's parish Wednesday evening.

BUSINESS NOTICE.

Face powder from express and seed cure. Protect, beautify your skin using Skin-Min Cream and Skin-Skin Complexion Powder. 25c.

Stabbing Ends Boys' Quarrel.

Ear O'Hearn, 19 years old, of 3440 Michigan street, was stabbed by William Dechow, 19 years old, of 2305 Arsenal street, when the two quarreled as to the payment of a portion of a sum they had been

over on a "no account" basis.

The boy who was stabbed is in a

condition of semi-coma.

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